PUBLIC NOTICE

PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER: NRS 08.128

APPLICANT: Tennessee Department of Transportation

Environmental Division

Suite 900, James K. Polk Building

505 Deaderick Street

Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0338

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LOCATION: The proposed alterations are located along Cameron Road (Old Walland Highway) over the Little River at L.M. 0.10 (Lat: 35.6849°, Long: -83.7894°)

WATERSHED DESCRIPTION: The aquatic resources proposed to be altered are within the Ft. Loudon Lake (Upper Tennessee) Watershed (HUC 06010201026_2000). The resources are The Little River and an unnamed tributary to the Little River. The Ft. Loudon Lake Watershed has been classified for the following designated uses: fish and aquatic life, irrigation, livestock watering and wildlife, and recreation. The Little River and its unnamed tributaries have been classified for the above referenced designated uses, and additionally, The Little River has been classified as Exceptional Tennessee Water and has also been classified as a Domestic Water Supply.

The Little River (STR-1) at the project location has a channel bottom width of approximately 120 ft., top of bank width of approximately 175 ft., and an approximate bank height of 6-8 ft. The unnamed tributary to The Little River (STR-2) at the project location is an intermittent stream with a channel bottom width of approximately 2-3 ft., top of bank width of approximately 4-5 ft., and an approximate bank height of 1 ft.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to construct approximately 0.20 miles of Cameron Road/Old Walland Highway along a modified alignment over the Little River at L.M. 0.10. The new construction will consist of 2 11 ft. lanes, 2 3ft. shoulders. Associated with this impact, the applicant proposes to redesign the drainage in an unnamed tributary to the Little River, by replacing the existing 18' of 12" plastic piping, 20' of 18" CMP, 100' of 12" CMP, and 115' of 8" plastic pipe and 139' of open channel. The new proposal/piping will consist of 118' of 24" RCB, 89' of 36" RCB, and 134' of open channel. This will result in approximately 53 ft. of stream loss.

The applicant has proposed to provide compensatory mitigation by payment to the Tennessee Stream Mitigation Program (TSMP). A total payment of \$10,600.00 would be made to the TSMP.

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Chip Hannah

USGS TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLE: Kinzel-Springs, TN Quadrangle 148 – NE

No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this permit. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. **Written comments must be**

received within THIRTY (30) DAYS of the date that this notice is posted. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing.

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address for review and/or copying. The department's address is:

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation
Division of Water Pollution Control, Natural Resources Section
7th Floor L & C Annex
401 Church Street
Nashville, TN 37243

In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments on record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws.









